JOINT STOCK COMPANY

*846. [25] **Sri. Paul Thaliath:** Will the hon'ble Minister for Law, Finance and Revenue be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether any Joint Stock Company in which the Government have taken shares has gone into liquidation;

(*b*) if so, the names of such companies;

(*c*) whether any Joint Stock Company in which the Government have taken shares has reduced the share capital;

(*d*) if so, the names of such companies; and

(*e*) the names of those companies in which the Government have taken shares in 1946 and before, but have not paid any dividend so far.

Minister for Law, Finace & Reveue **(Sri. A. J. John)**

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The Travancore Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) Does not arise in view of answer to (c).

(*e*) 1. The Fertilizers and Chemicals, Travancore Ltd., Alwaye.
2. The Aluminium Industries Ltd., Kundara.
3. Travancore Enamel Industries Ltd., Kundara.
4. The Electrical and Allied Industries (Travancore) Ltd., Kundara.
5. The Vijayamohini Mills Ltd., Trivandrum.
6. The Travancore Bank Ltd., Trivandrum.
7. The Forest Industries (Travancore) Ltd., Alwaye.
8. The Travancore Electro-chemical Industries Ltd.
9. The Balaramavarma Textiles Ltd., Shencottah.
10. Travancore Titanium Products, Trivandrum.
11. Travancore Cements Ltd., Kottayam.
12. Travancore Rayons Ltd.
13. The West Coast Fisheries Ltd., Trivandrum.

Some of the above companies declare dividend this year.

ELECTRIC CRANE

*847. [26] **Sri. Paul Thaliath:** Will the hon'ble Minister for Public Works be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that an electric crane is lying idle in the compound of the Dredger Superintendent at Alleppey;

(*b*) if so, whether the same has ever been used, since bought.

(*c*) the date of its purchase with the price paid.

Chief Minister **(Sri. C. Kesavan):**

(*a*) & (*b*) Eight numbers of electrically operated jib cranes have been purchased by Government for installation at the Alleppey and Trivandrum Piers. These cranes are now kept safely in the premises of the Office of the Dredger Superintendent, Alleppey, under the custody of the Sub-Division Officer, Alleppey.

The piers at Trivandrum and Alleppey in their present condition are not strong to erect these new cranes; and

(*c*) These cranes were received in Alleppey in December 1949. The price of the cranes are as follows:—

6 Nos. of 3 tons cranes—each £ 2,530.

2 Nos. of 10 tons cranes—each £ 5,050.

FERRY SERVICE

*848. [27] **Sri. Paul Thaliath:** Will the hon'ble Minister for Public Works and Transport be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the Government have received any complaints regarding the unsatisfactory working of the ferry service between Ernakulam and Cochin;

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